

Rethinking Finsbury Park Boundaries

We want you to get involved in co-designing the entrances and exits of Finsbury Park and boundaries.

Finsbury Park is a vibrant and dynamic green space in the heart of north London. The Rethinking Finsbury Park Boundaries project is looking at how we can work in partnership with the community to improve the entrances and exits to the park and boundaries of the park. This is all part of our work to make Finsbury park more accessible to all, where everyone feels safe and welcome.

BACKGROUND

Over the summer, we have been working with the local community to hear your views on what issues you face with the entrances and exits to Finsbury Park. 1,064 people responded to an online survey and we spoke to many people with varying needs and experiences face to face through an accessibility audit, a women's safety walking audit, a councillor walking audit, a stakeholder meeting and pop-ups in the park.



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THE MOST FREQUENT ISSUES RAISED WERE:

- **Safety:** Many people feel unsafe using the park, especially after dark, due to anti-social behaviour, poor maintenance and lighting.
- **Accessibility:** Many entrances are narrow, lack dropped kerbs and have staggered barriers. This causes issues for those with mobility issues and for people cycling. There were also issues raised with blue badge vehicle access.

THE MOST FREQUENT SUGGESTIONS WE WILL BE DISCUSSING AT CO-DESIGN WERE:

- **Improve safety**
- **Improve accessibility**
- **Add greening measures** to support biodiversity
- **Retain fencing:** most feedback was unsupportive of removing/lowering boundary fences due to concerns around safety.

More detail about the engagement and issues and suggestions raised can be found at <https://finsburyparkimprovements.commonplace.is>



HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

We now want to give you the opportunity to help us design and improve the entrances and exits to Finsbury Park.

We will be holding a series of workshops where we will work with you to design solutions to the issues raised.

Please join us at:

- A drop-in session at Azalea Court Community Hall, Finsbury Park, Queens Drive, London, N4 2AP anytime between 10:00 and 19:00 on **Monday 20th November**.
- Will also be **popping-up in Finsbury Park** at different locations on **Wednesday 15th November, 12pm - 3pm**.



NEXT STEPS

Your feedback and ideas will be used to create design recommendations for Finsbury Park for Haringey Council to take forward. These design recommendations will be published at <https://finsburyparkimprovements.commonplace.is> in the New Year.

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To stay up to date with the project you can scan the QR code or visit <https://finsburyparkimprovements.commonplace.is/>

If you have any further questions about the project, please email parkprojects@haringey.gov.uk

